

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions of claims in the application.

1. (Currently Amended): A woody electric-wave-absorbing building material comprising:
~~a laminated magnetic woody material prepared by bonding facing plates each having a thickness in the range of 2 to 3 mm and~~

two or more woody plates composed of natural wood or a processed woody material
[[with]];

a magnetic layer composed of an adhesive containing a ferrite powder ~~therebetween under pressure interposed between two of the woody plates~~, wherein

the magnetic layer contains a nonmagnetic austenite stainless steel powder in an amount in the range of 30 to 50 volume percent relative to a Mn-Zn ferrite powder,

the total volume content of the ferrite powder and the nonmagnetic austenite stainless steel powder in the magnetic layer is in the range of 10% to 40%,

the thickness of the magnetic layer is in the range of 1.0 to 4.0 mm, and

the electric-wave-absorbing building material has an electric wave absorption characteristic in which the center frequency of the electric waves absorbed lies in the range of 1 to 8 GHz and the amount of electric wave absorption is 20 dB or more in a 2.45 GHz frequency band.

2. (Currently Amended): The woody electric-wave-absorbing building material according to claim 1, wherein the nonmagnetic austenite stainless steel powder comprises SUS 304 stainless steel.

3. (Previously Presented): The woody electric-wave-absorbing building material according to claim 2, wherein the ferrite powder has a median particle size in the range of 50 to 60 μm and a particle size range of 45 to 75 μm .